

Christ Lutheran Church Newsletter

April, 2021

Aloha Kakou,

Last month I asked you what crosses God in Christ is calling us to take up here on our corner of Mililani/Central Oahu. The two biggest responses have been returning to In-Person worship and developing the Community Garden.

I think those are really good responses. Both in-reach through worship and outreach through the garden. Although, I can see the reverse, too - outreach through worship and in-reach through the garden. Ways to nurture the body and the soul in both efforts.

So, as we move through Holy Week to the Last Supper, the Crucifixion, and Easter, I want to add a further reflection – that as we take up our crosses, we also move closer to resurrection. If a return to In-Person worship and constructing a Community Garden in the face of a life-changing pandemic aren't incarnate demonstrations of our resurrection faith, I don't know what is. We are going to be feeding people in both body and soul.

As more of us get vaccinated and more of us feel it's safe to come out of our houses, consider joining us for worship on Easter or after. The walls are rolled back, the air is brisk, and the shouting and yelling ... well, it's a Lutheran church ... we don't shout and yell. We are quietly humming a joyful noise unto the Lord.

No rush, no pressure. The online media worship isn't going away. That too is a resurrecting move in dangerous times. But if you'd like to connect safely, we're here and there's room for a few more.

Holy Week and Easter Blessings,

Pr Keith

Note: The schedule of our Holy Week and Easter services is on the next page.





You are welcome at the table found at Christ Lutheran Church.

Welcome to those of you who come bearing diverse gifts including wisdom regarding sexual orientations, gender identities and gender expressions.

Welcome to all of you for your diverse colors, shapes, cultures, backgrounds, and traditions.

Welcome to those of you born here and to those of you flown here.

We seek to rejoice, grieve, heal and reconcile together as we gather around Jesus' table, which has been laid out for all.





CLC Holy Week Worship Services

Maundy Thursday, April 1
6 pm In-person and via Zoom
Guest preacher - Navy Chaplain Mark Weathers

Good Friday, April 2 6 pm In-person and via Zoom

Easter Sunday, April 4 8 am In-person and Facebook 11 am In-person and via Zoom

Celebrations - Blessings to All of You

Happy Birthday

- April 3 Anuhea Lanias
- April 5 Carrie Nelson
- April 8 Paulette Collins
- April 12 Shirley Momiyama
- April 12 Neil Wiedemann
- April 19 Eli Vonberg
- April 20 Gayle Kriese
- April 21 Marilynn Bisquera
- April 23 Meadow Spangler
- April 25 Charlotte Vonberg
- April 26 Nolan Acosta
- April 26 Joel Hamaguchi
- April 29 ZhiQiang Zhou
- April 30 Linda Kohlstaedt

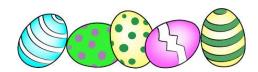
Baptismal Anniversaries

- April 1 Barbara Burke
- April 1 Eric Melin
- April 7 Hagen Zaffke
- April 8 Charlie Smith
- April 9 Ethan Chong
- April 11 David Sikkink
- April 12 Bryan DePowell
- April 13 Linda Santos
- April 19 Henry Zaffke
- April 23 Guirong Xu-Peterson
- April 26 Joel Hamaguchi

If we missed your special day, please let the office know (office@clcmililani.org)

Wedding Anniversaries

April 23 Jim & Christy Sondall
April 23 Whitney & Bryan DePowell





Church Council Meeting March 21, 2021

Highlights include:

- The unanimous election of Amanda Spangler as a new Council member (welcome, Amanda);
- Announcement of a signed agreement with Pacific Life Properties to manage the rental apartment for us, with Ward Soto as our property manager; ***
- Strategizing the next few years on issues of emergence from the pandemic, future viruses, dealing with hate speech, and climate change in Hawaii;
- Discussions of replacing aging fencing, decluttering the offices, getting bids to repave the parking lot, etc.

Next Council meeting: April 18 @ 2:30pm.

*** New tenants have been found and have already moved in. Mahalo again to those who renovated the unit.

IHS Outreach

Our next serving date for IHS is Saturday, April 3. If you would like to help out with cooking, serving, or providing cookies, please sign up at

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040f4ea9aa28a5fe3-clcapril.

If you do not know how to sign up or do not have internet access or would like more information, please call Amanda Spangler at 808-728-9156. If you are providing cookies, please bring them to church on Saturday, 4/3, before noon.







Need Help?

Do you or someone you know need help and don't know where to go? The Aloha United Way hotline is

a wonderful "help!" resource. Simply **dial 211** if you:

- Are a kupuna who needs help to register for the Covid vaccine or need transportation to get your Covid vaccine
- Need food or shelter
- Need help with your utility bills
- Need to apply for food stamps
- Received an eviction notice







APRIL 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 EASTER SUNDAY 8 am In-person Worship	5	6	7	1 Maundy Thurs svc 6 pm Guest preacher Chaplain Weathers	2 Good Friday svc 6 pm	3 IHS Outreach Easter Vigil 7:30 pm Facebook only
11 am In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation 11 Healing Sunday 8 am In-person Worship 11 am In-person Worship &	12	13	14	15	16 Newsletter Deadline	17
by Zoom invitation 18 8 am In-person Worship 11 am In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation 2:30 pm Church Council Zoom mtg	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 8 am In-person Worship 11 am In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation	26	27	28	29	30	May 1 Pacifica Synod Assembly

Cell Tower Progress

Although delayed by rainy weather, the day finally arrived for 3 fully-loaded cement trucks to come, empty their loads into the pump truck, which then pumped the cement into the 23' deep hole. The base is now ready for the Verizon cell tower to be built atop it. (Be sure to check out the video of this whole process on our Facebook page at facebook.com/clcmililani)

Photos by Pastor Keith and Ćarolyn Koehler





Palm Sunday March 28, 2021





Photos by Jean McMann

The Cross Was His Own

Poet: Unknown

They borrowed a bed to lay his head When Christ the Lord came down; They borrowed the ass in the mountain pass For him to ride to town; But the crown that he wore And the cross that he bore Were his own.

He borrowed the bread when the crowd He fed On the grassy mountainside; He borrowed the dish of broken fish With which they were satisfied; But the crown that he wore And the cross that he bore Were his own.

He borrowed the ship in which to sit To teach the multitude;
He borrowed a nest in which to rest;
He had never a home so rude;
But the crown that he wore
And the cross that he bore
Were his own.

He borrowed a room on his way to the tomb The Passover Lamb to eat; They borrowed a cave for him a grave; They borrowed a winding sheet;. But the crown that he wore And the cross that he bore Were his own.

The thorns on His head were worn in my stead For me the Savior died.
For guilt of sin the nails drove in When Him they crucified;
Though the crown He wore And the cross He bore
Were His own
They rightly were mine.

Easter Vigil Saturday, April 3 - 7:30 pm

Pastor Keith will be doing a simple at-home Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, April 3, at 7:30 pm on the CLC Facebook page. Please tune in to facebook.com/ clemililani.



Easter Vigil Service from PLTS Saturday, April 3

Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary invites you to join its Easter Vigil worship watch party on Saturday, April 3, 2021 at 4 pm Hawaii time on the PLTS Facebook page. The worship service includes a liturgy of Word, music, readings, reflections, and prayers, led by PLTS students, pastors, and faculty with plenty of water and fire for all! You don't need a Facebook account to participate. A recording of the service will also be available on the PLTS Worship YouTube channel. We hope you will join us for this once in a pandemic online worship experience as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Sara Wilson at swilson@plts.edu.

Facebook Event: https://www.facebook.com/events/1157738254676043

Join the Easter Vigil Watch Party

here: https://www.facebook.com/pltsofclu

Watch later on the PLTS Worship YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcb87T-S-XAJjd4JRHTrP Q





April Worship

Maundy Thursday, April 1 6 pm in-person & via Zoom

Good Friday, April 2 6 pm in-person & via Zoom

Holy Saturday, April 3 7:30 pm Easter Vigil-Facebook only

Easter Sunday, April 4 and Sunday worship - 8 am and 11 am Both in-person services abide by strict pandemic guidelines.

The 8 am service is offered on Facebook and the 11 am service is offered on Zoom. Both feature on-line Communion.

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